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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 37 File No. 3 Cal. No.

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE RATES OF STATE CIGARETTE TAXES."

- 1 After the last section, insert the following:
- 2 "Sec. 4. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2002) For the fiscal year ending June
- 3 30, 2003, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the Secretary of the Office

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4 of Policy and Management shall certify to the Commissioner of

- 5 Revenue Services an amount of revenue sufficient to provide funding
- 6 for the purposes described in this section. Said commissioner shall
- 7 segregate said amount from the revenue attributable to sections 12-296
- 8 and 12-316 of the general statutes, as amended by this act. Such
- 9 segregated funds shall be allocated by the Secretary of the Office of
- 10 Policy and Management to the appropriate agencies for the purposes
- 11 set forth as follows:
- 12 (1) To allow the parents of children eligible for the HUSKY program
- 13 to buy into said program on a similar sliding scale basis that children
- 14 can be enrolled for those families whose household incomes are not
- 15 greater than one hundred eighty-five per cent of the federal poverty
- 16 level;
- 17 (2) To carry out the provisions of section 17b-278a of the general
- 18 statutes, as amended by this act.
- 19 Sec. 5. Section 17b-278a of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 20 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2002*):
- 21 The Commissioner of Social Services [may] shall amend the
- 22 Medicaid state plan to provide coverage for treatment for smoking
- 23 cessation ordered by a licensed physician to the extent permitted by
- 24 federal law. The state plan shall provide coverage of smoking cessation
- 25 programs, including, but not limited to, counseling, and legend and
- 26 <u>nonlegend drugs intended to assist in the cessation of smoking, as</u>
- 27 <u>prescribed by a licensed physician.</u> Such coverage shall be limited to [a
- 28 maximum of four hundred dollars per person per year] not more than
- 29 two such programs of a duration not to exceed ninety days each in any
- 30 <u>twelve-month period</u>."